



**Energy Promotion  
and Development  
Division**

Montana Department of Commerce

EPDD facilitates energy development in Montana by working with energy companies, state agencies, and federal agencies to help facilitate permitting, siting, workforce identification and development, and financial assistance.

- Create high quality jobs
- Increase tax base
- Increase Montana energy production

EPDD's Role

- Due diligence and research on potential projects and technologies
- Identify and secure funding assistance for energy development projects
- Bring national energy companies to Montana to explore our resources
- Facilitate discussions for potential partnerships
- Provide direct technical assistance as needed

Selected Projects EPDD has worked on

- TransCanada Keystone XL Pipeline and Baker on-ramp
  - \$1.1 billion in capital investment in Montana
  - \$60 million in annual property taxes
  - 790 Construction jobs
  - 15 permanent jobs
  - 65,000 bbl/day on-ramp will provide more market access for Montana producers
- Arch Coal Otter Creek Mining Operation
  - 500+ construction jobs
  - 200 permanent jobs per mine (2 mines proposed)
  - \$5 billion potential in state and local taxes over the life of the mine
- Turnbull Hydroelectric Project - 13 MW
  - \$10 million capital investment
  - 30 construction jobs
  - 1.5 permanent jobs
- NorthWestern Energy Mill Creek Regulating Plant- 150 MW
  - \$206 million capital investment
  - 75 construction jobs
  - 11 permanent jobs
- Basin Electric Natural Gas Peaking Plant- 91 MW
  - \$100 million capital investment
  - 50 construction jobs
  - 7 permanent jobs

- Basin Electric Waste Heat Recovery Plant–  
5.5 MW

- \$10 million in capital investment
- 10 construction jobs
- 1 permanent jobs

- Montana Alberta Tie Ltd (MATL)

- 600 MW capacity
- 1<sup>st</sup> fully merchant line in the West
- 180 construction jobs, 20 permanent
- Provides capacity for \$1.2 billion of Wind Farm development

### Testimony related to benefit of this technical assistance

*"EPDD's guidance and counsel helped us identify a clear path to resolving our water rights issues that had the potential to delay and potentially kill the project."*

Ted Sorenson, President, Turnbull Hydro LLC

*"Time and again we found the need for counsel, guidance and advice and found such to be invaluable in the Energy Promotion and Development Division"*

Johan Van't Hof, CEO Tonbridge Power

MONTANA ALBERTA TIE LTD  
A TONBRIDGE POWER COMPANY



*"The support that we have received from the Energy Promotion and Development Division has greatly facilitated our accomplishments on these two wind farm projects (Glacier and Rim Rock) and our progress would not have been as smooth or as timely as it has been without the Division's capable assistance."*

José Maria Sanchez Seara, CEO Naturener



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*In sum, we have found the (Energy Promotion and Development) Division staffed by knowledgeable public servants who have been supportive of TransCanada's business development activities, who have been responsive to our requests for assistance and direction, and have been pro-active in promoting economic development in Montana."*

Scott Farris, Director of Government Relations TransCanada



*The assistance provided to Ambre by your team in the Energy Promotion and Development Office of the Montana Department of Commerce has been invaluable. As a new participant in the US energy industry, the support provided by the Montana Government has been excellent and we appreciate greatly the guidance and assistance provided."*

Michael Mewing, President Ambre Energy

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